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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PBOR, PGOU, BH, UK, US, CU

SUBJECT: PRICE'S RELATIONS WITH NAM AND CUBA

REFERENCE: BELIZE 601

1. SQUIRES OF UK EMBASSY WASHINGTON RAISED WITH BUSHNELL (ARA) ON JUNE 16 POINTS SIMILAR TO THOSE MCENTEE RAISED WITH NALLE (REFTEL). ON CUBANS VISITING BELIZE, BUSHNELL RESPONDED THAT WHILE OCCASIONAL VISITS MAY NOT PARTICULARLY CONCERN US, PRICE AND OTHER BELIZEANS SHOULD RECOGNIZE THAT SUCH VISITS MAY MORE SERIOUSLY CONCERN GUATEMALANS. WE WOULD NOT LIKE TO SEE AN INCREASED PATTERN OF CUBAN VISITS OR A TRADE DELEGATION COMPLICATE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE GUATEMALANS OR DISCOURAGE EARLY PROGRESS TOWARD A SETTLEMENT.

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2. ON NAM, BUSHNELL RESPONDED THAT U.S. HAS NO PROBLEM WITH PRICE ATTENDANCE AT BELGRADE MEETING OR WITH ASSOCIATION (PRESUMABLY AS OBSERVER) WITH NAM. WHAT CONCERNS US IN NAM IS THAT PARTICIPANTS NOT BE LED BY CUBANS OR OTHERS INTO ANTI-U.S. AND PRO-SOVIET POSITIONS. ON FURTHER REFLECTION, WE REALIZE THAT PRICE'S TRIP, AT LEAST IF IT

RESULTS IN NAM OBSERVER STATUS FOR BELIZE, WILL DISCOURAGE  
THOSE GUATEMALANS INTERESTED IN PROMOTING ASSOCIATION OF  
AN INDEPENDENT BELIZE WITH CENTRAL AMERICA, SINCE NO  
CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRY HAS TIES WITH NAM. THIS MIGHT  
STRENGTHEN GUATEMALAN INSISTENCE ON TERRITORIAL CESSION.  
WE WILL PASS THIS ADDITIONAL THOUGHT ON TO SQUIRES.

3. ADDRESSEE POSTS MAY USE THE ABOVE TO THE EXTENT THEY  
FEEL DESIRABLE IN FUTURE DISCUSSIONS ON THESE MATTERS.  
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